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FOR EMBASSY CAPE TOWN

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SUBJECT: LOS:INTERSESSIONAL MEETING ON COMMITTEE I MATTERS IN GENEVA

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1. WE THINK IT BEST THAT EMBASSY TEL AVIV NOT PROVIDE INFORMATION OR BACKGROUND TO AMBASSADOR FINCHAM CONCERNING THE FEBRUARY 28 - MARCH 11 EVENSEN MEETING. THE UNITED STATES IS NOT A SPONSOR OF THIS MEETING, WHICH IS ENTIRELY AN INITIATIVE OF NORWAY'S LOS MINISTER JENS EVENSEN. IT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WOULD, THEREFORE, SEEM MORE APPROPRIATE FOR THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT TO BE BRIEFED ON THE MEETING BY THE NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT.

2. WE, THEREFORE, SUGGEST EMBASSY TEL AVIV TELL AMBASSADOR FINCHAM THAT THE NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT IS IN A BETTER POSITION TO INFORM HIM ABOUT THE EVENSEN MEETING THAN WE

ARE AND THAT THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT MAY WISH TO
INQUIRE OF THE NORWEGIANS DIRECTLY.
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